HON'BLE SRI JUSTICE GOPALA KRISHNA TAMADA

W.P.No.13549 of 1998

Dated 21st day of February, 2007

Between:

S.Jyothi and 19 others .. Petitioners

And

The District Collector, Ananthapur District and another .. Respondents

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O R D E R:

This writ petition is filed seeking a mandamus to declare the action of the respondents in trying to dispossess the petitioners from their lands in S.No.8 situated in Ananthapur without following the due procedure of law, as arbitrary and illegal.

The grievance of the petitioners as submitted by their counsel and as projected in the writ petition is that the respondents, without following the due process of law and without considering their application for grant of assignment of lands, are trying to dispossess the petitioners from the lands in S.No.8 situated in Rajiv Gandhi Colony Panchayat, Ananthapur, which according to the petitioners, is illegal and arbitrary.

Heard the learned counsel for the both the parties and perused the material placed on record.

Admittedly, the petitioners do not have any right whatsoever over the lands in question. Even according to them, they have encroached into the lands, however as it is stated that they are in possession of those lands for the last so many years and they are all landless poor persons, this Court deems it appropriate to direct the authorities concerned to consider the petitioners' representation dated 15.9.1997 and pass appropriates orders in accordance with law.

With the above direction, this writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

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21.02.2007

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